ORDINANCE NO. <u>1999</u>-01-002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON, ADDING A NEW SECTION TO CHAPTER 2. 24 OF THE BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PROVIDING FOR DISPOSAL OF FORFEITED **FIREARMS AS AUTHORIZED BY RCW 9.41.098**

WHEREAS, the legislature has provided in RCW 9.41.098 (2) (a) that the local legislative authority may determine the manner of disposal of forfeited firearms and that the proceeds of any auction or trade may be retained by the legislative authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is appropriate for the Police Department to administer the manner of disposal of the forfeited firearms and to utilize the funds from the auction or trade of such firearms: and

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN that a new section 2.24.060 is hereby added to Chapter 2.24 of the Bellingham Municipal Code to read as follows:

Forfeiture of Firearms - Disposition 2.24.060

The Chief of Police shall administer the disposition of firearms forfeited pursuant to RCW 9.41.098 and shall promulgate such policies and procedures as are necessary to provide for disposition. Any proceeds of an auction or trade of forfeited firearms shall be paid into the Police Pension Fund, as long as it is in existence. or the City General Fund.

PASSED by Council this <u>19t</u> day of <u>Januar</u>	y, 1998 , 1999.
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APPROVED by me this <u>2747</u> day of <u>January</u> 1998. 1997.

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